

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
APRIL 14, 2015**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member David Prechtel	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Project Technician Robert Sunderman, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 24, 2015. Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Board members reviewed the claims from March 6, 2015 through April 9, 2015. Thereafter, a motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Seitz presented two proclamations. First he proclaimed April 12-18 as public safety telecommunicators week. He then proclaimed April 16, 2015 as National Healthcare Decisions Day.

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Pastor David King, representing CrossPoint Church of Jasper, First Baptist Church of Jasper and True Vine of Ferdinand, asked permission to use Bohnert Park and its shelter house on Saturday, August 8, 2015 starting at 9:30 a.m. for a back to school bash. During this event they will distribute free backpacks and school supplies as well as have a meal and play kids games.

David Prechtel so moved. Timothy Bell seconded the motion and the motion carried 3-0.

CLEAN SWEEP

Rachel Levin, representing German American, asked permission to hold their annual clean sweep event on Saturday, May 16, 2015 starting at 8:00 a.m. Levin said nonprofit organizations in the community have an opportunity to earn some money if they help pick up trash in areas designated by the street department. She also said they will need a City trash truck parked at German American and someone from the City to educate the volunteers on what items not to pick up.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit German American to do the clean sweep event. Motion carried 3-0.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Bernie Thewes, representing the Dubois County Veterans Council, asked to block off the square from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 23, 2015 for the annual Memorial Day Service that will begin at 10:00 a.m. on the west side of the courthouse. He also asked permission to use the City Hall parking lot for firing squads to assemble beginning at 9:15 a.m. and have the park department place four or five sets of bleachers in the ceremonial area so spectators can sit.

Thewes was instructed to contact the park department about the use of bleachers. Mayor Seitz commented that the southeast quadrant of the Square is kept open to traffic.

Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit the Dubois County Veterans Council to block off three-fourths of the Square for the 10:00 a.m. Memorial Day service on May 23, 2015. Motion carried 3-0.

CEO PICNIC

Bob Vogler, representing CEO [Churches Embracing Offenders] of Dubois County, asked permission to use the Buehler Plaza, gazebo, and shelter house #1 on Saturday, June 13, 2015 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the CEO program picnic. The public is invited to this event because the group wants to raise awareness about what they do to help habitual offenders find their way back into society.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the event on June 13, 2015. Motion carried 3-0.

CLOSE ALLEY

Gerry Miller, construction manager for Memorial Hospital, along with Terry Streicher with Streicher Construction, asked permission to close the north-south alley between 9th and 13th Streets that is west of MacArthur Street from mid-May to the end of the year. Miller said as part of the first phase for adding more parking on the east side of the hospital, they will be working through the alley to put in the sewer. Miller displayed a drawing of the area and explained the hospital's plan to create more parking which includes demolishing buildings, adding a surface lot, and adding on to the parking garage. For safety reasons, Miller said they need to close the alley during the duration of the construction project, not just when they do the sanitary sewer work. Miller also said he spoke with the neighbors with houses located east of the alley and west of MacArthur Street about closing the alley. One landowner uses the alley to access parking to his house but he understands the situation and is willing to work with the hospital.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to allow a complete alley closure from 9th to 13th Streets during the entire construction project starting mid-May to the end of the year. Motion carried 3-0.

MOVING EXPENSES

City Attorney Renee Kabrick gave an update on the flood mitigation project. She then asked permission to pay \$319.00 in moving expenses for a storage unit renter. Moving expense is a covered expense in this grant program.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to approve \$319.00 for moving expenses. Motion carried 3-0.

PERFORMANCE BONDS

City Engineer Chad Hurm said he had two performance bond requests from KAKB LLC who is the developer for Brookstone Estates IV and for Brookstone Estates V.

Hurm said for Brookstone Estates IV, they want to renew the letter of credit and performance bond for \$93,239.83.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit KAKB LLC to renew the performance bond for Brookstone Estates IV for \$93,239.83. Motion carried 3-0.

Hurm said for Brookstone Estates V, they currently have a letter of credit and performance bond for \$137,136.00. They want to reduce the amount to \$75,000.00. Hurm added that this request has gone through department review and \$75,000 should cover the necessary unfinished improvements.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to allow KAKB LLC to reduce the letter of credit and performance bond for Brookstone Estates V from \$137,136.00 to \$75,000.00. Motion carried 3-0.

50/50 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM REQUEST

City Engineer Chad Hurm said as part of the 50/50 sidewalk replacement program, Ewing Properties want to replace the sidewalk along Clay Street between 4th and 5th Streets. Hurm said an inspection was performed and the area meets the requirements. The total cost of the project is \$17,479.50. Ewing's portion of the cost is \$7,632.75. Because the City's share is more than 50% of the total project cost, Hurm explained that the City pays 100% of certain items that are included in the total project cost such as ADA ramps.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the 50/50 sidewalk request. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

City Engineer Chad Hurm gave an update on Brookstone III and on the labyrinth project.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Project Technician Robert Sunderman distributed copies of the Jasper Street Department 2014 year end activity report and the Jasper Street Department 2015 projected activities report.

Sunderman reported that mulch, old leaves and fill dirt located at the resource recovery site is available to the public free of charge.

MILL WALL

City Engineer Chad Hurm said some old options for the mill wall stabilization project were resurrected. They are looking at installing an armorflex stabilization system. Hurm then showed some pictures and explained how the system works.

Hurm then asked permission to proceed with the bidding process.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to authorize specifications and bids for this project. Motion carried 3-0.

PICKUP TRUCK QUOTES

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang said he sought quotes for a 2015 one half ton, four wheel drive, four door crew cab pickup truck less the trade in of the pickup truck he drives, a 2008 Ford F150 truck. City Attorney Renee Kabrick then opened the following quotes:

Bob Luegers Motors
\$29,763.75 base quote
-14,800.00 trade in
\$14,963.75 net price

Uebelhor and Sons
\$28,994.00 base quote
-12,700.00 trade in
\$16,294.00 net price

Ruxer Ford
\$30,449.25 base quote
-16,000.00 trade in
\$14,449.25 net price

Hochgesang recommended accepting the low quote from Ruxer Ford as long as it meets the specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit Chief Hochgesang to proceed with the low quote pending it meets the specifications. Motion carried 3-0.

US 231 DETOUR

Mayor Seitz said INDOT is going to work on US 231 north of County Road 100S and requested a detour using City streets. Because INDOT will not allow left hand turns at the CR 100S/US231/SR 162 intersection during the work period, City Engineer Chad Hurm said INDOT has presented the following detours for that area and asks the City to approve the use of its streets for the detour.

For northbound traffic on US 231 that wants to turn left onto County Road 100S, vehicles will need to travel north through the CR 100S/US231/SR 162 intersection, then turn left onto HRJ Lane, left onto Dispatch Road, then right at CR 100S.

For southbound traffic on US 231 that wants to turn left onto State Road 162, vehicles will need to turn right onto HRJ Lane, then left onto Dispatch Road, then left onto CR 100S and proceed east towards SR 162.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to adopt the plan as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

TREE REMOVAL

Project Technician Robert Sunderman said there are two gum trees located along the west side of Mill Street between 6th and 7th Streets that are failing. He asked permission to remove these two trees.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Mayor Seitz to give permission to remove two gum trees located along Mill Street between 6th and 7th Streets. Motion carried 3-0.

Sunderman then reference the property at 715 Mill Street which is located on the southwest corner of 8th and Mill Streets. He said there are three holly trees and one gum tree along the 8th Street side of that property that need to be removed. He asked permission to remove those trees.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the removal of the trees as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

PLACE DUMPSTER IN ALLEY

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang said the property owner at 1434 Mill Street has an old building behind the house that is decaying and he is going to remove that building. Because he does not have room

on his land to place a dumpster for the debris, he wants to place the dumpster in the alley next to his property. Hochgesang said the City trash truck uses that alley but other than that he did not see any issues with placing the dumpster in the alley.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to permit the property owner at 1434 Mill Street to put a dumpster in the alley for no more than 72 hours. Motion carried 3-0.

BODY ARMOR QUOTES

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett presented the following quotes for four sets of body armor to replace four sets that are expiring.

Body Armor/an internet company	\$3,563.90
Ray O'Herron Company	\$2,822.00
Siegel's	\$2,700.00

Bennett recommended accepting the low quote that was submitted by Siegel's for \$2,700.00. He said 50% of the cost will be reimbursed through a grant from the Department of Justice.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

JUNK ASSET

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett asked permission to junk asset #101885, a laptop computer. Bennett said the computer is eight years old and is no longer usable.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to declare asset #101885 junk. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 28th day of April, 2015.

Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer